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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.116 --
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Commissioner for Patents
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January 21, 2004

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Rejection mailed August 21, 2003. Please amend the above-identified application as listed below and as set forth on the following pages:

Amendment to the Specification

Amendments to the Claims

Remarks are included following the amendments